

FIREFIGHTER FIRST CLASS

(Promotional Class)

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES

Extinguish and prevent spread of fires; rescue persons from burning buildings; routine maintenance and custodial work on equipment, station, and grounds; and related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS

Employees in this class perform hazardous fire fighting tasks which require considerable physical exertion under emergency conditions, coolness and presence of mind are essential in order to minimize danger to themselves and others. Detailed instructions are given by commanding officers and employees are mainly responsible for seeing that such orders are carried out. Employees are taught modern and standardized methods of firefighting by a superior. Persons in this class must successfully pass departmental progress tests before being confirmed as a regular and permanent employee in this class.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

(Illustrative only)

Respond to fire alarms and emergency calls with fire company;

Remove persons from burning buildings;

Administer first aid to injured persons when necessary;

Lay and connect hose lines and nozzles, turn water on and off;

Ventilate buildings, hold fire hose and direct stream;

Put up and climb ladders and enter burning buildings when necessary;

Perform salvage and overhauling operations at scene of fire;

Drive and operate motor driven equipment under special instructions and limited conditions;

Clean fire fighting equipment, dry hose, reload machines with dry hose, refill fire extinguishers and booster tanks, clean stations, cut grass and keep premises neat and tidy;

Learn and practice new methods.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Good knowledge of fire fighting methods and the uses of tools and equipment;

Good knowledge of the city including location of principal streets and buildings, and a fair knowledge of the location of water hydrants in principal parts of the city;

Fair knowledge of the more important fundamentals of first aid;

Ability to satisfactorily perform tasks assigned at fires, applying knowledges, methods, and uses of equipment, as previously taught;

Ability and willingness to understand and effectively carry out written and oral instructions and all work of the class, as required;

Ability to get along with others.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO ELIGIBILITY TEST AND FOR BEGINNING WORK IN CLASS

Must be a regular and permanent employee in good standing in the CLASS OF FIREFIGHTER as adopted by this Board;

Must successfully pass medical examination assuring good health and physical abilities sufficient, in the opinion of the Board, to indicate satisfactory performance of required work, before appointment from employment list.

Must successfully pass civil service test, testing aptitude for beginning work in this class.